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INSTITUTE OF SCIENCES ACTIVE -- Tallin, Sovetskaya Mestnitsa, 11 Feb 53

In 1952, the Albanian Institute of Sciences carried out a great deal of work on economic problems. Its geological prospecting expeditions discovered deposits of manganese, iron, and other useful metals.

The institute studied sources of power in the country, soil and climate peculiarities of various regions, and especially the action of winds and soil erosion. It drew up projects for wooded zones and studied the conditions for winter pasturage in Southern Albania.

The institute lays great stress on research on the fish industry, in which prospects of development are good. It is studying types of fish, sites for fisheries, and the possibilities of breeding the better types in lakes.

In the field of public health, scientific workers of the institute are studying epidemic and occupational diseases and methods of controlling them.

COUNCIL OF MINISTERS AWARDS REPUBLIC PRIZES -- Sofia, Rabotnichesko Delo, 9 Apr 53

The Albanian Council of Ministers has awarded Republic Prizes for 1952 in the fields of science, invention, literature, and art.

The following second prizes were awarded: in the field of science, to Kristi Cipo for his work on "The Syntax of the Albanian Language," in co-operation with the Institute of Sciences; in the invention field, to Kheadet Lazi for a high-production oxygen installation; in the field of literature, to Dimitri Shuteriqi for the first part of his novel The Liberators.

Third prizes were awarded in the field of art to the artist Nexhmedin Zaini for his picture "Discussion on the National War of Liberation," and to the sculptor Lazar Nikola for his marble bust of Shenderbeg.

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MARXIST-LENINIST NIGHT UNIVERSITY TO OPEN IN TIRANA -- Moscow, Moskovskiy Komsomolets, 6 Jan. 53

The Tirana newspapers have announced that the Politburo of the Central Committee of the Albanian Workers Party has decided to open a night university of Marxism and Leninism.

The university is to teach party and government workers and promoters of Albanian culture. The 2-year curriculum will comprise the history of the Soviet Communist Party, the history of the Albanian Workers Party, international relations, dialectic and historical materialism, and political economy.

The newspapers call the opening of the Marxist-Leninist night university a great step on the road of strengthening the Marxist-Leninist education of cadres.

INCREASED TRAINING FOR WORKERS -- Moscow, Pravda, 21 Mar 53

There is a great demand for qualified workers in Albanian industry. To a considerable extent, this demand is being satisfied by training workers in qualification courses, in Stakhanovite schools, and in factory and plant schools, and by means of instruction given young workers by Stakhanovites and technicians. At the Stalin Textile Combine, for example, about 60 percent of the workers received technical schooling in the last 12 months, while in the Enver Hoxha Works and the Misto Mame Woodworking Plant about 30 percent took courses.

The preparation of workers for the mining industry covered a wide field. In 1953, about 100 qualification courses were opened for miners. In 1953, the number of miners trained was 2.3 times that in 1952, and the number of workers trained in manufacturing industries was 1.4 times that in 1952.

In view of the great need for qualified workers in agriculture, the Albanian Ministry of Agriculture plans to train three times as many agricultural brigades, tractor men, and veterinary and animal breeding specialists in 1953 as in 1952.

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